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To:

Redistricting2012

Subject:

Concerns Regarding Redistricting 2012

Importance:

High

Dear Redistricting Committee,

I live in the Sheridan neighborhood.

Upon review of the proposed City-Wide Ward Map, I am concerned about Sheridan and Bottineau being separated from the rest of the NE neighborhoods. Though the proposed map follows the existing lines, Broadway is the natural border defining the NE community. It is important to keep communities of interest together! As the map is shown now, Sheridan is in the same ward as Downtown. Sheridan is not part of the Downtown community.

This Northeast Minneapolis Arts District was officially designated by the City of Minneapolis in 2003, as recognition of the significant impact the arts were having on the area. The proposed City-Wide Ward Map splits the Arts District between two wards, with the majority in Ward One and a much smaller portion, Bottineau and Sheridan, in Ward Three. Though the arts district is currently divided, the existing ward boundaries were established before the Arts District was created.

Please consider correcting this. Thank you for your time.

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